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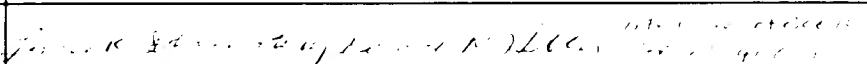
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The fee as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) for filing this Notice of Appeal is \$160.00, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct this fee from Applicants' Representatives' Deposit Account No. 50-0892.

The Notice is timely filed, and Applicants believe no fees in addition to the fees for filing the Notice of Appeal are due in connection with this communication. However, should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason related to this communication, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Applicants' Representatives' Deposit Account No. 50-0892.

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